

VOL. XIII.

A DISASTEROUS WRECK.

Hart Wins the Six Days' Walking Match.

AFTER THE TRAIN ROBBERIES.

James G. Blaine Develops Modesty to an Alarming Extent—The Times' Abject Apology.

A Train Goes Through a Bridge.

St. George, Ont., February 27.—The east-bound St. Louis express this evening went through a bridge just east of this station. A broken tire on one of the engine wheels caused the rails to spread, and the first passenger car, a Pullman car and the dining car went through the middle section of the bridge. The Pullman car, which contained the most passengers, was thrown clear off the bridge, turning completely over and landing right side up. The dining car landed right side up. The dining car passenger car remains on the bridge. Eight or ten persons were killed and about thirty persons have been taken out of the cars. The dining room car contained about seven persons, besides the waiters. Supper had just been announced, and in a few minutes the car would have been filled, and all must have perished. Among the dead were two prominent members of the Salvation Army. The injured were badly shaken up, and some have their limbs broken. None of them, however, are believed to be fatally hurt. St. George is near where the disaster occurred, and is the great western branch of the Grand Trunk railroad.

The accident was witnessed by some of the townspeople, and in a few minutes the streets were a scene of the wildest excitement. Convoys were hurried to the bridge, and the victims were removed to the hotels, private residences and the station house.

Cleveland and Harrison Dine.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—General Harrison and wife dined this evening with President and Mrs. Cleveland. While President and Mrs. Cleveland were entertaining General and Mrs. Harrison, Lamont was instructing Halford into the mysteries of the official side of the executive mansion. During this afternoon Russell Harrison visited the capital and held consultations with Senators Sherman, Quay, Paddock and others. His presence there set speculation afoot. A Pacific coast senator said he was satisfied that General Harrison had a Pacific coast man under consideration. It might be either Helen or Swift of California, or Governor Moody of Oregon. The west, he said, wants the interior department. Two congressmen, however, who called upon General Harrison and talked cabinet to him, say that Blaine and Windom are the only candidates.

Looking for the Train Robbers.

BAKERSFIELD, February 27.—A posse, consisting of Sheriff Overall and Deputy Crawford of Tulare county, Sheriff Graham and Deputy Wittington and "Tib" of this city, left this morning for the Pinyon mountains in search of the Pinyon train robbers.

San Francisco, February 27.—The Wells, Fargo & Co. officials are yet without any late tidings from the train-robber prisoners in Tulare county. From the railroad men and press dispatches come news which gives hope that the robbers will soon be captured.

The Governor's Banquet.

SACRAMENTO, February 27.—Governor Waterman tendered a reception at his residence to-night to the members of the legislature, the state officers and other invited guests. The residence and grounds were handsomely decorated and illuminated, and the affair was a brilliant social success. The reception was attended by nearly every member of the legislature, many of whom were accompanied by their wives, and among the company were other distinguished citizens from all parts of the state.

Noted Dan.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—After the house went into a committee of the whole on the deficiency bill, Senators of Texas read a letter from Colonel Lamont, stating that when he accepted the position of private secretary to the president he had a full knowledge of the position of private secretary to the president.

The Train Robbers.

TULARE, February 25.—Five detectives and other officers are here gathering evidence and will soon leave in search of the Pinyon train robbers. Marshal Bachelder returned this evening from a three days' hunt. He says he found tracks and followed them from the scene of the robbery seventy miles west of Delano, into the mountains. The marshals' horses gave out and he could not get another there. The robbers went into the mountains near Temple ranch. The

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A New Yarn That Defies the Physiologists—Reduced Rates on Canned Goods.

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LONDON, February 26.—From a gentleman high in authority in the prosecution of the Parnell-Times case, a representative of the Associated Press learned that up to last July Parnell and his counsel and colleagues were wholly at sea, and every effort to discover the forger of the Parnell letters have proved futile. The discovery that Piggott was the forger was made by Negan in Lincoln, Neb., in scrutinizing forged facsimiles. However, he discovered one which was avowedly written by him at a certain address in Paris, and the recollection flashed upon him that Piggott was the only man to whom he had given this address. This proved a clue.

LONDON, February 26.—In the common law court this evening I asked whether Honore Secretary Matthews ordered the arrest of Piggott. Matthews replied that a warrant had been issued against Piggott. The knowledge of Piggott's disappearance had only reached him within the past hour, and he promised that the government would do their utmost to capture him.

M'Cormick Says He Wrote the Letters.

SACRAMENTO, February 26.—Before the senate committee on state prisons and the assembly committee on ways and means in joint session to-night, Warden McCombs took the letters alleged to have been written by him and which it is claimed show the irregularities in his management of prison and acknowledged their authenticity, reserving his opinion in one or two instances where interference had been made by some person explaining who the parties are alleged to be in the epistles. Grove L. Johnson said his client, McCombs, desired to inquire if they should include in the inquiry the letter alleged to have been written by John McCombs, Jr. Senator White replied that he did not think any one would have cause to complain that any phase of the investigation had been neglected. The committee met again to-morrow.

Reduction in Rates.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27.—The Examiner to-morrow will say: "The fight for the reduction of earned freight rates on the transcontinental lines was ended yesterday in a manner satisfactory to the shippers and railroads. The opposing factor, the Texas & Pacific road, was forced to a reduction of the rate of \$1.10 per 100 pounds to 90 cents on shipments from this state to all common points east. The road surrendered to-day, and now the Transcontinental association can formally announce that the latter rate will have the effect of saving to the California fruit shippers between \$50,000 to \$100,000."

Parnell Triumphs.

LONDON, February 26.—The Daily Telegraph censures the carelessness with which the Times acted, and says the result must affect the political situation, as a certain body of opinion will be naturally attracted toward Parnell as an injured, persecuted man. After blaming the Times for its extraordinary negligence, the Standard says: "Whatever else is proved, the fact remains that deep injustice has been done Parnell, and the blow is equally to be deplored which is given to the character of English journalism."

Glover Knocked Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 26.—Joseph Chynski, an amateur of this city, and Frank Glover of Chicago, met in a glove contest to a finish this evening at the rooms of the California Athletic club, for a purse. Hiram Cook was chosen referee. The betting during the day was \$100 to \$50 in Glover's favor. Both men were in prime condition. Chynski proved too clever for the Chicagoan, and knocked him out in the fourth round. In the knock-out round Glover was sent over the ropes.

Suicide at Modesto.

MONTEREY, February 26.—Gas Lewis was found dead in bed this evening in St. John's lodging-house, by the proprietor. A bottle of sulphate of morphine was found on a table in the room, partially empty. For the past year he has been employed as a clerk in stores at San Pedro, Los Angeles county, and Newman, this county, but he came to Modesto twelve days ago on a visit to his former home. He was aged 26 years.

New Land Laws.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 26.—The conference on the general land bill have practically reached an agreement upon a measure substantially like the house bill, which provides for a repeal of the preemption and timber culture laws, a modification of the desert land law and the substitution of a general and effective law to protect actual settlers upon the public domain.

Harrison at Washington.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—About 4:30 o'clock Major Pruden came over from the White House with a note from President Cleveland to President-elect Harrison. General and Mrs. Harrison will call, by appointment, at the White House to-morrow about 5:30 o'clock.

Amateur, Me., February 27.—Hon. Henry Lord, president of the Maine senate, to-day received a telegram from James G. Blaine stating that the suggestion that the legislature provide a portrait of himself to be placed among the portraits of the ex-speakers of the national house of representatives is extremely distasteful to him, and he hopes that no such action will be taken.

THE SEWER SYSTEM.

City Attorney Shepard Makes a Statement.

THE MOUNTAIN ROAD PROJECT.

Everything Going Ahead in Fine Shape—About Ready for Work—Outsiders Taking Interest.

"I am willing to wager \$1000," said S. N. Griffith to a reporter of The Republican yesterday, "that cars will be running over the first division, twenty-five miles in length, of the mountain railroad within six months."

A Good Vine to Plant.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27.—In the case of the vine, the Times to-day, after quoting an apology made by Attorney-General Webster before the Parnell commission, says that it accepts Parnell's statement to the effect that the letters are forgeries, and expresses sincere regret at having been induced to publish or offer in evidence not only the letters of Parnell, but those of Hagan, Davitt and O'Connell. It states it must be evident that if a conspiracy existed the Times was victimized by and not a party to it.

Typographical Convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27.—The printers' convention, said to be the first held in the United States, met here this afternoon. The following cities were represented: Kenoza, San Jose, Fresno, Portland, Oakland, Stockton, Los Angeles, Sacramento and Salem. The typographers' union was represented. J. R. Winters of San Francisco was elected chairman. The convention adjourned until to-morrow.

The Certificate Operators.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 26.—The second trial of Ferdinand Clippion, ex-inspector of customs, for conspiracy to defraud the government by issuing fraudulent Chinese certificates, was begun in the circuit court to-day, and W. A. Boyd, one of the conspirators, and chief witness for the prosecution, repeated his testimony given at the former trial concerning the operations of the cliques.

A New Invention.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27.—A machine for cutting up and tying in bundles cases from vines when pruned has been invented and a sample will be placed on exhibition in the viticultural rooms.

Fuel is Scarce in Many Localities, and the idea is to utilize the immense amount of grape cuttings which have heretofore been burned in the field.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Des Moines, February 26.—The jury in the libel case against Governor Larrabee returned a verdict of acquittal.

Hanford, February 26.—Dault, a murderer and robber, has been hanged here. He was impotent to the end.

LONDON, February 26.—Avalanches have destroyed the village of Niviolet, and killed four persons and injured many others in St. Michel, Savoy.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 26.—Seth Cook, the well-known mining operator, died at the Palace hotel this morning. He was a native of New York, 59 years old.

OAKLAND, Cal., February 26.—Early this morning Jack McSwearer was arrested for battery. He attempted to escape from officers Swain, Davis and Hobbs, and was shot dead.

LOS ANGELES, February 26.—The Pasadena board of trade this afternoon adopted a resolution requesting the city trustees to make a full statement of the city's financial condition.

OTTAWA, Ont., February 26.—In the common this afternoon, Hon. Mr. Laurier, leader of the opposition, in a brilliant speech moved a sweeping resolution that Canada enter into negotiations with the United States.

STOCKTON, February 26.—The jury in the case of Carolina Gamboa, charged with the murder of Lorenzo Perez, after being out twenty-four hours, were discharged, standing five for conviction of manslaughter and seven for acquittal.

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Williams & Skinkle are sole agents in Fresno for Night Caps, a certain order for catarrh and all head diseases. They are nice to wear. Try one. o-d-d-w-i-l-y

Auction! Auction! Auction! Every Monday and Saturday at Long Bros. Bazaar.

All the banks of this city will, from to-day, close their respective places of business at 3 o'clock P. M.

Attention Stockmen!

I am prepared to castrate horses, bulls and rams upon the latest and most improved system of castrating. Animals operated upon will be perfectly well in forty-eight hours. Horses may be worked with safety the same day they are operated upon.

Refer to W. W. Shipps, Fresno; J. M. Heiskell, Big Dry creek; Frank Martin, San Joaquin; J. J. Royburn, Red Bank; Lee Hainingman and Captain Rousler; Scandinavian company; Willet Gates, Garfield. Address, P. O. 8, McManus, Big Dry Creek, Cal.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

FORMERLY the first words spoken by babies were "papa" and "mamma."

Now it is, "Have you got a cigarette?"

The eastern papers are full of peach-rop predictions. The gentle blizzards and old-time frosts have nipped thousands of bushes in the bud.

Two prize fighters fought seventy-five rounds in Los Angeles yesterday, and succeeded in bruising each other in the regulation style. And this in the City of the Angels, where they breathe the balmy semi-tropic breeze and all that sort of thing. Sam Jones left Los Angeles too soon.

GERMANY will demand the arrest and punishment of "the American named Klein," who led to victory Matamoros forces. Bayard says he was not aware that such a man as Klein existed, until informed of it by the Germans on Tuesday last. Which shows that Bayard does not keep posted on public affairs. But what will the United States demand? The 4th of March will determine.

We wait impatiently to see how that order given by the Germans, to search every incoming vessel for contraband goods, will work if it is enforced when Admiral Kimberly arrives in Samoa waters with the flagship Trenton. Imagine a detachment of German marines clambering over the guards with a view of searching a vessel commanded by Admiral Kimberly! Won't there be a circus, though?

If revivals of Christianity are legitimate, revivals of business ought to be. There are honorable methods which would improve and enliven all departments of commerce in Fresno. Co-operation with a view of thoroughly advertising our foothill citrus belt, beautifying our streets and parks, inducing immigration, and the sinking of a gas well 4000 feet deep ought to bring it about.

OVER eighty acres will be planted with orange trees near Marysville this year by one company. It will require about \$5000 trees. We should like to see the exact number. We should like to see the exact number. We should like to see the exact number.

EVERYBODY knows that gambling is carried on uninterruptedly in San Francisco's Chinatown. And it is very wicked to allow those heathens to win each other's money. An honest officer, by the name of Morrison, may his week if he would promise to allow the gambling to proceed without molestation. He spurned the offer, as he should. The next drawing of the Louisiana lottery will take place on the second Tuesday of next month. This information was gained from a printer, who answered promptly.

ELLA WHEELER WILSON, in her latest volume, tells how the sunny south "reaches out her unwashed arms to her rightful lover—Pestilence." A woman who is interested in a patented garbage crematory at once wrote indignant letters to a number of southern newspapers denouncing Ella Wheeler's baseless charge, and incidentally mentioning the fact that a new garbage furnace was known of was the very thing to burn up refuse and keep "pestilence" out of the south. Such vigorous thrift is worthy of a Los Angeles boomer.

THE St. Thomas Episcopal church of New York was built by parties who took their reward in pews to be held in perpetuity. The original investors are nearly all dead, and the seats are held by their children. The annual revenue of the church is \$35,000, and the pew-owners receive a perpetual income. The establishment of a toll gate on the road to Heaven does not inspire overwhelming admiration.

THE elevation of the agricultural bureau to the dignity of a department, with a seat for its executive head in the president's cabinet, is not only a concession to the farmers, but is a public recognition of the importance of agriculture. The collection of information about foreign agricultural methods and operations is of great value in determining the prospect of the foreign market. This knowledge is now gathered with other statistical information, and is difficult to segregate. The signal service has been transferred to the agricultural department, where it belonged in the first place.

STATE SECRETARY HEDDERICKS says the criminal letters were written by McComb. It could not be otherwise. The range of subjects and the number of persons interested makes forgery of such letters impossible. No bath in whitewash can cover his sins away. No reasonable doubt can be entertained concerning his guilt. He ought to be convicted by law, as he is already by public opinion. State affairs should not be dragged in the mud to subvert private purposes. There is being developed a healthy contempt for the laws of our land and the opinions of the people. While we are sending to jail the purloiners of loaves of bread, let us convict some of the greater criminals. A rich rascal is not worthy to unlace the shoes of a starving thief. Build an additional penitentiary and convict the political bribers and purloiners of the people's money.

THE spirit of vandalism which seems to possess some people is unexplainable, unless it be said that they are mono-maniacs. The disfigurement of the Washington monument has been so great that admission to the edifice will have to be refused. From the face of the Sphinx to the finest works of art on this or the other side of the water, the vandals' despoiling hand has done its work. From the pyramids of Egypt to the capitol at Washington may be seen evidence of

SUNSHINE AND SNOW.

That some of the eastern cities thrive, or even exist, when the very elements seem to be at war with them, cannot well be understood by those who have lived for years in the broad sunshine of the great valleys of reserve, semi-tropic California. The reason seems to be that civilization was first established in the east, and has only spread westward when there was no longer sustenance for the population, as bees swarm when they can no longer find room in the hive. If the Pilgrim Fathers had landed at the Golden Gate, civilization would never have extended east of the Rocky mountains. Those who dared the rigors of the east would have retraced their steps as the early bather shrinks from the embrace of the chilling wave.

And the Pacific coast would have been the Sheffield of the United States, as it is now the Palestine. People do not seek the severest climate, but the best. They do not seek the death-dealing damps of swamps, but the warm sun-light of uplands. They do not choose rock-bound shores, but fertile plains. They do not willingly toil a lifetime to clear a forest when they can as easily find land that is already cleared. They do not willingly raise wheat when they can as easily grow oranges, lemons, tangerines, and all kinds of citrus and delicious fruits. They do not willingly breathe air of a temperature of 25 degrees below zero when they could as easily enjoy an atmosphere of genial warmth, indicated as 90 degrees above zero. On Thursday the mercury at Winipue was 26 below zero; at Moorhead 25 below, and at St. Paul 23 below and falling. A blizzard was raging and the mercury fell 53 degrees in six hours at St. Paul. When California's climate and California's resources are known and appreciated as they should be, our shores will be populated by tens of millions, and from the sunny slopes of the western foothills yonder to the cool, wooded sides of the snow-capped Sierras will be shady avenues, with vine-covered houses on either side, surrounded by vines and trees gathered from all over the world.

What a springtime warmth and freshness is in the air. Sunshine every day and flowers on every hand. Why should any one go to Europe to spend the winter when only six days of comfortable car travel intervenes between the bitter, biting cold of the east and the sunny slopes of the Sierras. Even in Italy, the chill of the snow-covered Alps covers the land. Southern France has sunny skies, but the balmy breeze from semi-tropic seas is not there. In fact the climate of California cannot be duplicated. Why should any one desire to live in an inhospitable climate when nature and the elements here are kind, the soil is rich, the air is faint with perfume of flowers, and the sun shines every day?

McGowan's mutual insurance bill has passed the senate, and will probably become a law. It provides that any twenty-five or more properly owners may combine, and without having any paid-up capital, agree to pay the loss which their property is pledged for payment of damages. This ought to insure safe insurance at seventy-five per cent less than the stock companies charge. Intelligent co-operation ought to be the cure for all public evils. The difficulty generally lies in the fact that people will not sink their will for their personal benefit or the enlargement of their bank accounts. Americans as a rule insist on exercising to the fullest extent the freedom and liberty guaranteed by the constitution. In fact every man must be a "boss" of some kind.

What a degree of caution that has been shown in the valley of the Kings, and to some extent on the plains, is a success and from this time on much attention will be paid to the matter. As is the case with nuts and some other fruits, oranges, lemons and limes grow in this fogless valley far more cleaner and brighter colored than those grown along the coast. In size and flavor they equal the best grown in the state. When this fact shall have become generally known the foothill belt will take on a new valuation. Kern County Echo.

We are pleased to learn that our exchanges are taking an interest in this matter. It is of vast importance. Proclaim it on the hilltops that oranges will grow in any portion of the great San Joaquin valley. That in every instance they are bright and clean, free from smut or scale. And that with intelligent culture and an abundance of water properly applied, the oranges of the foothill thermal belt will attain a reputation greater than those grown in the much-praised Riverside section.

Taz semi-tropic summers which prevail in Fresno county, together with the rich soil, ought to insure the successful culture of tobacco. The difficulty often is not with soil or climate, but is the result of indifferent care and culture. Those who have witnessed the care which is bestowed upon the most successful orange groves of southern California are surprised to see orange trees thrive as they do in Fresno, often without care or cultivation. Frequently they are planted in unsuitable spots, and left to struggle along without being watered, pruned, cultivated, fertilized or cared for in any way. The difference between trees that are properly cared for and those that are not is very great. When our orange trees are cared for as they should be, and the budding trees come into bearing, we will astonish the world. And our horticulturists will themselves be astonished when they shall have learned by intelligent investigation what may be grown in California—in the great San Joaquin valley—in Fresno county.

The Tulare Register says a good many orange trees are being shipped into Tulare county this season, and that the acreage devoted to citrus culture will be largely increased. To this we say: We hope those making the venture will be amply rewarded for their labor. Riverside Enterprise.

But you don't mean it. You have fallen into the habit of impressing people with the idea that oranges won't grow north of San Bernardino until you believe it yourself. Get out of your shell before it is too late. If you will come north and see our oranges you will go home with broader views and a better appetite. Beginning with to-morrow, there will be seven orange trains a week from south California to the east, an average of one train a day. Where do the n. c. oranges come from?—Riverside Press.

It would be more just for us to ask you a similar question in regard to raisins. The main industry was inaugurated in Fresno after it was in Riverside, and we pack twice as many raisins as San Bernardino county does. But it would be unkind, unjust and reprehensible for us to intimate that you cannot grow grapes simply because the industry is further advanced in Fresno. Assume liberality, if you have it not.

ties of the future do not seem so great. In 1887 Mr. Kennedy paid for his land \$5000. He planted it to vines, and in 1889 sold it for \$75,000. The opportunity for the profitable investment is just as good to-day as it was then. There is an abundance of land with water right. The price of bare land is greater than it was then, but the price of improved land is also more, and will undoubtedly still continue to increase. The moral looms up like a five-story brick block on a new town site.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

If it pays to smuggle opium it surely ought to pay to manufacture it. Hokey axes, butterflied and flowers. No eastern blizzards, thanks, in ours.

No money, but morals. Not creed, but Christianity. Not party, but principle. Germany is peaceful, and will wait for a conference, but is sending ironclads to Samoa just the same.

Producers and women's suffrage are the nightmares of every legislator's existence, from Halifax to Texas. The state board of horticulture advises the uprooting of all trees affected with the cottony cushion scale.

The Saviors spoke in parables and paragrams. His sermons were never lengthy and never dull. The multitudes went to hear him.

The Republican is more frequently quoted than any other paper in the central portion of the state. Our endeavors to make known the resources of the State seem to be thoroughly appreciated. A large number of Pennsylvania engineers have withdrawn from the order. They say that the drain upon their purses in supporting those who take part in ill-advised strikes is more than they can stand.

The manufacture of butane in Merced county has proven very profitable. The plant, pyrethrum cineraria folium, grows luxuriantly here, and there is no reason why the insect poison could not be prepared here as well.

Taz is but one California on the face of the globe. This fact will some day be appreciated. The extremes of temperature to be met with in the east will eventually cause our land from the Sierras to the sea to be cultivated and occupied.

In this irrigated, alfalfa county, the establishment of a creamery would seem to be almost a necessity. While butter is profitably shipped from creameries the thousand miles away, there can be no doubt that a creamery here would be profitable.

There is a continual harvest in Fresno county. Every month and every week in the year some fruit, vegetable or animal is ripening and coming into market. It is a characteristic of semi-tropic California. Such things do not exist "back east, where I came from."

The California Fruit Grower advises fruit growers to abandon the practice of peeling peaches by the use of ice. Where plenty of running water may be had, as in Fresno, it is thoroughly clean to peel the fruit after it is immersed in ice. The practice seems to be unobjectionable.

The Riverside Enterprise says that oranges raised in Pomona are not as good as those raised in Riverside. This over-zealous sectional pride is unprofitable. Its indulgence causes the individual and has an unpleasant effect upon the state at large. Don't encourage it.

California is rapidly coming forward as a producer of fine stock. The recent sale of Stamboul to a New York man for \$50,000 is noted with a degree of pleasure. Fresno county is not behind, having several stock farms where some of the best stock in the state is bred.

An intimation as to the manner in which the railroad company escapes the payment of its taxes, is gained from the evidence now being introduced, which shows that in San Mateo county the tax was paid in the shape of a loan for a year, covered by a suit which was dismissed by agreement.

This board of trade could well afford to send a box of Fresno raisins to every editor in the United States. Of course the California publishers are aware that Fresno is a great raisin center, but it might be well to remind them once more. It would prove to be a profitable advertisement of one of our greatest resources.

The Marysville Appeal saves considerable work by copying many editorials from THE REPUBLICAN. We are pleased to know that so many of our exchanges are practically admitting that some of our ideas are as neatly expressed as if they had been written by themselves. Help yourselves, gentlemen. We build editorials every day.

The Sacramento river is gradually becoming shallower. While in early days river steamers ascended the stream as far as Shasta City, they now have difficulty in reaching Red Bluff. The water was twenty-six feet deep at Sacramento last winter and but eight this. It is safe to say that within a few years navigation of the Sacramento will be entirely discontinued.

The investigation of state prison affairs promises to demonstrate that outrageous abuses exist. The doctor at San Quentin is known as "The Butcher," and the hospital as "The Slaughterhouse." A system of bribery is alleged to exist, whereby directors receive a much greater price for jobs than the written reports indicate. There are more criminals out of jail than in.

This senate has refused to pass a bill appropriating \$5000 for the culture of the California native silk worm. If it is such a profitable bug as some of our exchanges would have us believe, it ought to be cultivated, if it costs a million dollars. Money is nothing compared to a pair of silk socks, even if it does take the state board of sericulture thirteen years to make them.

To those who are acquainted it would seem entirely unnecessary to state that we have no destructive earthquakes in California. A great many eastern people think differently, however, and for their benefit we will state that the only severe earthquake in the memory of the oldest inhabitant occurred in 1868, and that only shook down very high chimneys. Only one man was killed in the entire state. We have no earthquakes of any consequence.

MEMORATIVE ADVERTISING.

Twelve years ago a merchant in Ipswich, Mass., heard of Fresno. He was tired of the long, cold winters, and wanted to live in a land of sunshine. He came to California, but was told that the value of Fresno fruit and vineyard land was altogether too high; that our people were visionary. He could have purchased land at from \$5 to \$50 per acre. He went on to Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, but found it impossible to suit him. He returned to Massachusetts, but remembered the sunshine of California. Within a few years he again came west, and settled in the vicinity of San Jose. He returned again to Ipswich, and while walking along a street in Boston, one day, he saw in the window of a railroad office a pamphlet of Fresno county. He stepped in, asked for a copy, and read it with a view of learning, if possible, what had been accomplished by the colonists. He had been told that the figures he had seen in the picture overdrawn. He was surprised at the facts as presented in the pamphlets, and wrote letters of inquiry to several colonists, including T. C. White and Miss Austin. They verified the statements made, and he at once commenced to dispose of his interests in Massachusetts, and last week arrived in Fresno. Within a few days he purchased a forty-acre irrigated farm, which is all orchard and vineyard. The man who sold the farm regretted it, and within two days purchased another raisin vineyard. He discussed advertising always pays. He discussed advertising always pays. He discussed advertising always pays.

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plenty of pure, fresh water, shade, and an abundance of green feed, ought to insure the growth of healthy fowls. It is not a small industry, by any means. The poultry product of the United States exceeds in value the wheat product.

FRESNO'S OPPORTUNITY.

California is now only excelled in the production of blooded horses by Kentucky and Illinois. We may say with safety that the only thing which prevents California from being in the lead to-day is her distance from the center of population and, therefore, in a measure from the market. We believe that Louisville, in Kentucky, is the best horse market in the United States. The causes for the fact are so varied as to preclude their discussion here.

But the star of empire is still marching westward. The network of railroads that has been spread over Kansas during the last few years presents a lesson that all should read and heed. The future of California, viewed in the light of the development of the past, by a thoughtful, even if a conservative man, forms a picture of future possibilities, which, if described by an artistic pen, can only bring condemnation from the majority.

However, we fail to see why the truth should be repressed in order to suit the ideas of those who are behind the times, whether their condition is due to indifference, willful incapacity, or gross ignorance born in the body. Those who have read the signs of the times and have an inkling of the future are not bound to tickle the plodding peasant with pretty conceits or pleasing natural descriptions. While we are waiting for natural developments to let us not be weary in advertising to the world our resources, our aims and our hopes. If it is necessary to bring the eastern man here and let him with his mouth with orange juice in order to convince him that we can grow oranges, let us do it. If, in order to show him that here in the middle of February, in sight of snow, the sun shines brightly and the flowers already bloom, it is necessary to let him feast his eyes upon the land and its beauties, let us bring him. Let him sit in the sun and let him be thawed out.

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The Redlands Citricorp, who disavowed to tell the whole truth, strikes a blow at the orange sections of the north by referring to the published report of a fair held at San Jose, in which it was stated that orange culture in that section was not remunerative. Every man who will admit the truth will admit that orange trees do not find the most favorable conditions for thrifty growth in Santa Clara county. No one who knows anything of horticulture and who is acquainted with the climatic conditions that exist in Santa Clara county, will claim that it is the home of the orange. The weather is not at all cold. It is simply too damp and foggy. In Fresno City, which is 100 miles from the sea, and almost beyond the influence of the sea-breezes, oranges may be grown which are in every way superior to the oranges raised in the city of Los Angeles. Our Fresno City oranges are bright and free from smut, and are not more often nipped by the frost than those of the royal and radiant city by the side of a river which is three miles away from the shores of the San Joaquin.

ALBERT.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1889.

Fred H. Gray spent yesterday in Merced.

Member of the matinee this afternoon at Kings theater.

Mrs. W. H. Farmer has gone to San Francisco on a visit with friends.

The clearance from the clearing-house yesterday amounted to \$21,273.30.

Mrs. James A. Sandler is home again from a visit with friends in Stockton.

Ed A. Crennan of Stockton is spending a few days in this city on business.

Mrs. and Mrs. Dr. E. B. Perlin left yesterday on the north-bound express for San Francisco.

Professor Brooks' childrens class will be postponed until Saturday, March 16th at Kings theater.

Mrs. John Campbell of Stockton is in Fresno visiting her son, G. B. Campbell, the well-known contractor.

A grant by the name of James Manly was yesterday sentenced to ten days in jail by Justice Hogue.

It is expected that fully 250 people will attend the annual fair of the Fruit Vale estate from San Francisco.

M. Wiener, a San Jose capitalist, is spending a few days in Fresno visiting with his brother, A. J. Wiener.

The Laguna de Tache case is rapidly drawing to a close. Yesterday was the fifth day of actual trial in court.

Miss Lillie Ellis of San Francisco, daughter of Asa Ellis, arrived in Fresno yesterday and is stopping at the Grand Central.

C. A. Henry, late lessee of the Whitson place, at Selma, arrived in this city yesterday with his family, and will make Fresno his future home.

George Kopter yesterday sold his well-known restaurant at Selma, California, to Silas Vanderpool of Selma. The price paid was \$1051.

The \$20,000 race is a certainty. The citizens will surely guarantee the \$2000, and they could guarantee three times that amount with equal safety.

W. R. Jacobs, district attorney of Tulare county, accompanied by his family, arrived in Fresno yesterday, and is stopping at the Grand Central.

The Tulare Presbyterian church meets at 11 o'clock on the Friday before the first Sunday in April, at 1:30 o'clock in the evening.

Thomas Williams was yesterday convicted of the crime of vagrancy in Judge Wolcott's court, and was sentenced to fifteen days imprisonment in the county jail.

E. Smith has commenced an action in the superior court against John Dennis, to foreclose a \$400 mortgage on a fractional part of block 340, located at the intersection of M and San Joaquin streets.

On to-morrow afternoon there will be a running race on north F street, in this city, open to all amateurs only, professional being barred. The distance is five miles, and the entrance fee \$10. Fourteen entries have been made to date.

Woldeburg & Waterman will convey the buyers to the Fruit Vale auction sale and from the grounds free of charge. The sale takes place on the grounds on Tuesday, and on Wednesday and Thursday it will be continued in this city.

Henry Franzer has commenced a suit in the superior court against S. N. Straube and J. C. Ryan to foreclose a \$400 mortgage on a certain house located on lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

APPROACHING THE END.
Col. Craig Makes a Good Argument in the De Tache Case.

Yesterday morning Colonel William Henry Craig began the closing argument in the case of Clark et al. vs. Heilbrun et al., and occupied the entire day with the exception of about fifteen minutes, which were yielded to Hon. George H. B. Hayes to present the views of the defense with regard to Nevada decrees and the hearing upon the case.

Colonel Craig will close his argument about noon today, when the case will be submitted to Judge J. R. Campbell for decision. No intimation has been given as to when the decision will be rendered, but it will undoubtedly be handed down within three months, as is the usual practice. This is the fifty-sixth day of the actual trial, the case having been opened December 10, 1888.

Colonel Craig has taken the position that the case is not a matter of fact, but a matter of law, and that the court should decide upon the merits of the case, and not upon the technicalities of the pleadings.

The court then adjourned to 9:30 A. M. today.

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PAVING THE STREETS.
Mariposa Street to Be Paved With Bituminous Rock.

If there is any one thing that Fresno needs more than another, after a sewerage system (which is now an assured fact), it is that the business streets, at least, be properly paved. There is a good prospect of Mariposa street being paved in the near future, and if the right kind of an effort is made, the business portions of H, J, K and L streets will be paved.

R. C. Lowell, representing the Pacific Paving company of San Francisco, arrived in the city a day or two ago, and at once began soliciting the business men of Fresno to have Mariposa street paved with bituminous rock.

Mr. Lowell stated to a reporter last night that he had received the approval of nearly all the property-owners and hoped to have the paving done in a few days.

Bituminous rock pavement is about the only kind that can be used on this kind of soil and last any length of time. It is especially adapted to the soil of Fresno, and it is superior to any and all other kinds of pavement. Among the advantages it possesses may be mentioned its cleanliness, quick drainage of water, compactness and durability, and it is better adapted to the use of light vehicles making but very little noise in passing over it. The Pacific Paving company is one which has a high standing and comes well recommended by all who have used it.

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